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Dear Sir:

- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose a Form PTO-1449, English abstracts of references AI and AJ, and a copy and English translation of the International Search Report issued on July 8, 2005 in the corresponding PCT International Application. Copies of references AA to AF, AI and AJ are not (and need not be) enclosed, because they have been transmitted to the USPTO by the International Searching Authority in the International processing of this PCT application.
- 2) This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the above identified new patent application.

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3) References AA to AH are in English. Reference AI corresponds to AH, and AJ corresponds to AG, from which the relevance can be determined in English. References AI and AJ are accompanied by English Abstracts. Reference AJ has been discussed at pages 1 and 2 of the present specification. Therefore no further discussion of the references is necessary.

4) Moreover, the enclosed Search Report indicates the degree of relevance of references AA to AF, AI and AJ by category ("X" means relevant to anticipation or obviousness when considered alone; "Y" means relevant to obviousness when combined with another reference; and "A" means technological background). Thereby a concise explanation of the relevance has been provided (see MPEP §609).

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5) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1, 2 and 16 to 28 are respectfully requested.

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